

### **REMARKS**

This is in response to the Examiner's request made in a telephonic interview with the undersigned on December 10, 2007, in which the Examiner indicated that the present application is in condition for allowance except for formality issues. Applicants are filing this amendment at the request of the Examiner. Applicants thank the Examiner for indicating that the application is in condition for allowance.


After entry of this amendment, claims 12, 13, 30 and 31 are pending. Previously withdrawn claims 14-24 and 26-29 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. Applicants reserve all rights to pursue the cancelled claims and subject matter in one or more divisional or continuation applications, if necessary. No new matter has been added.

In the specification at page 1, a section entitled "SUBMISSION ON COMPACT DISC" has been inserted to add the required paragraph for submission of Sequence Listing only on compact disc. Additional section headings have been inserted into the specification at pages 1 and 2. Furthermore, the Figure captions originally placed in each figure have been added at page 2 under the new heading Brief Description of the Drawings as requested by the Examiner. The sequence identifying numbers for the sequences found in Figures 1 and 2 have also been added in the Figure captions to comply with 37 CFR § 1.821(a) and (d). Support is found *inter alia* in the Figures and Sequence Listing as originally filed. Additionally, page 104 of the specification has been amended to include sequence identifying numbers corresponding to the sequences in the Sequence Listing to comply with 37 CFR § 1.821(a) and (d). No new matter has been added.

Further, the sequences recited in the specification at page 104 have been included in the replacement Sequence Listing attached. Applicants submit herewith replacement copies of the Sequence Listing (COPY 1 and COPY 2) that conform to 37 CFR §§ 1.821-1.825 and the Sequence Listing in computer readable form, all on compact disc, accompanied by a Statement to Support Filing and Submission in Accordance with 37 CFR §§ 1.821-1.825. Applicants believe the application is in compliance with 37 CFR §§ 1.821-1.825. No new matter has been added to the Sequence Listing. Entry of this Sequence Listing into the application is respectfully requested.

Applicants believe no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 03-2775, under Order No. 13173-00004-US from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

Respectfully submitted,

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